

Miami-Dade County Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources
Construction Trades Qualifying Board Division “B”

Minutes of October 7th, 2014

The **Construction Trades Qualifying Board Division “B”** was called to order at **10:20 A.M.**, on **Tuesday, October 7th, 2014**, in the 2nd Floor Conference Rooms I/J of the Herbert S. Saffir Permitting and Inspection Center located at 11805 SW 26th Street (Coral Way), Miami, Florida 33175.

Members Present

Nestor Bustamante, P.A., **Chairman**
Irv Chazen
Arthur Fernandez
Calvin Samuels

Lucio Rivero
Todd Stiff
David Barry Yocum
Juan Zuniga

Members Excused

Barry Jordan
Kenneth Scott, **Vice Chairman**

Court Reporter

Janice Aguirre, Miami Dade County
Court Reporters, Inc.

Staff Present

Michael Mastrucci, Assistant County Attorney
Michael Goolsby, Board and Code Administration Division Director
Kathy Charles, Board Administrator
Jose Lezcano, Contractor Licensing Section Supervisor
Daniel Vuelta, Contractor Enforcement Section Supervisor
Luis Y. Lopez, Board Recording Secretary

Review and Approval of Minutes

The Chairman Nestor Bustamante requested a motion to approve the **minutes of the September 9th, 2014** Board meeting. A motion was made by Juan Zuniga to **accept the minutes as written**. Mr. Irv Chazen seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously**.

Formal Hearing

A.P. Irrigation, LLC.
David C. Strong, Qualifying Agent
Plumbing Contractor
Two (2) Counts
Complainants: Emma Choy & Nita Young
Investigator: Sheere Benjamin

License # 12P000312

Result: Mr. Vuelta notified the Board that Mr. David C. Strong, Qualifying Agent, was not in the audience. He then confirmed the qualifying agent’s address, as called by the Board Recording Secretary. Assistant County Attorney, Benjamin Simon advised the Board that sufficient meeting notification was obtained and therefore they could proceed with the Formal Hearing.

The **Respondent**, being duly advised, **was not present**. The Hearing was held in **Absentia**.

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Mr. Daniel Vuelta, Contractor Enforcement Section Supervisor, informed the Board that his office received two complaints against Mr. Strong. Mr. Vuelta informed the Members that Mr. Strong was contracted to install a digital timer on the sprinkler system at the property located at 12505 SW 88 Court, Miami, Florida 33176. In addition, Mr. Strong was contracted to install a multi-stream nozzle and repair pipes for the sprinkler system located at 18271 SW 57 Court, Pinecrest, Florida 33156. He further advised the Board that the Qualifying Agent received a deposit from each homeowner but never performed the work as contracted.

Assistant County Attorney Benjamin Simon inquired if the deposit was given in cash or check. Mr. Vuelta clarified to the Board that the check was deposited by Mr. Armando Perez, who is registered as the Manager of the corporation.

At this time, individuals who would provide testimony were sworn in by the Court Reporter.

Through questioning by Mr. Vuelta, Ms. Emma Choy, Property Owner, informed the Board that she gave a deposit of \$400.00 dollars, but the work was never performed. In addition, Ms. Nita Young, property owner also informed the Board that she gave a deposit of \$325.00 dollars and work was never started.

Upon further discussion, the Board found the Respondent **Guilty** on Counts I & II. Chairman Nestor Bustamante then **moved** that the Respondent’s license shall be revoked immediately, pay restitution to Emma Choy in the amount of \$400.00 dollars, as well as, to Ms. Nita Young in the amount of \$325.00 dollars, pay the administrative cost of \$1,244.00.00 dollars to Miami-Dade County, and pay a fine of \$5,000.00 dollars per Count for a total amount of \$10,000.00 dollars to Miami Dade County. Mr. Arthur Fernandez seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously**.

Appearances

Electrical

Samuel Profeta

Derogatory Personal Credit Report

Master Electrician & Master Air Conditioning – Unlimited

Change of Affiliation

From: Strong Electric Inc.

To: Ocean Coast Electrical Inc.

Result: Board Member Calvin Samuels informed the Board that Mr. Profeta has taken care of the outstanding judgment from National Bank. Upon further discussion, Mr. Calvin Samuels then moved to **approve** Mr. Profeta for **Change of Affiliation** in the *Master Electrician* trade. Mr. Nestor Bustamante seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously**. In addition, Mr. Juan Zuniga approved Mr. Profeta for **Change of Affiliation** in the *Master Air Conditioning – Unlimited* trade. Mr. Irv Chazen seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously**.

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Mechanical

---None---

Plumbing

---None---

Electrical Application/File Review

New Certification

---None---

Change of Affiliation

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following application*:*

Luis Fernandez

From: Furns Electronics Security Inc.

Master Burglar and Fire Alarm

To: Furns Monitoring Services Corp.

Note: Pending Business Credit Report (Old Company)

Inactive Status

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following application:*

Sergio S. Estape

Super America Electric Inc.

Master Electrician

Reciprocity – Journeyman Electricians – Broward County

---None---

* *Note: This application was initially denied for derogatory credit. However, Board Member Calvin Samuels approved Mr. Fernandez for issuance via telephone, given that no credit item was identified. File will be signed by Mr. Samuels at the November 5th, 2014 meeting.*

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Reciprocity – Business/Personal Certificate – Broward County

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following applications:*

Rosemberg De Oliveira
Master Electrician

Rosemberg Electrical Services Inc.

Robert A. Terry Jr.
Master Electrician

CV & B Electric LLC.

Reciprocity – Personal Certificate – West Palm Beach

---None---

Reciprocity – Business/Personal Certificate – West Palm Beach

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Burglar Alarm

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Fire Alarm

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Electrician

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following applications:*

Yasser Berasategui
Aurelio Borges-Rodriguez
Christopher Capdevila-Lois
Armando A. Fragoso
Dennet Larroude
Javier Martinez
Didier Omar Rivera
Leonardo Rivero
Ambiorix Santiago
Jorge E. Silva

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Sign Electrician

---None---

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Exam Applicants – Maintenance Electrician

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Burglar Alarm

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Electric Utility

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Electrician

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following applications:*

Ricardo Jean-Philippe
Azael Pousa
Fernando Rodriguez
Victor Rodriguez
Angelo J. Sierra
Jorge Sosa
Vernon A. Souder[†]
Alfredo R. Suarez

Exam Applicants – Master Fire Alarm

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Low Voltage

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following application:*

Ariel Edgardo Gimenez

Exam Applicants – Master Sign Electrician

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master TV Antenna

---None---

[†] Note: Applicant withdrew application.

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Mechanical Application/File Review

New Certification

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following application:*

Carlos Penaranda	Jordim International Installation
<i>Master Transporting Install</i>	

Change of Affiliation

---None---

Inactive Status

---None---

Reciprocity – Personal Certificate Only – Broward County

---None---

Reciprocity – Business/Personal Certificate – Broward County

---None---

Reciprocity – Personal Certificate Only – West Palm Beach

---None---

Reciprocity – Business/Personal Certificate – West Palm Beach

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Air Conditioning

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following applications:*

Jose R. Fabregas
Titus Tyron Bryant

Exam Applicants – Journeyman General Mechanical

---None---

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Exam Applicants – Journeyman Pressure & Process Piping

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Refrigeration

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Air Conditioning – Limited

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Air Conditioning – Unlimited

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Ammonia Refrigeration

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master General Mechanical

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Room Air Conditioning

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Refrigeration & Air Conditioning

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Sheet Metal

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following application:*

David Puittinen

Exam Applicants – Master Steam Generator Boiler & Piping

---None---

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Exam Applicants – Master Transporting Assembly Install

---None---

Exam Applicants – Mechanical Maintenance

---None---

Plumbing Application/File Review

New Certification

---None---

Change of Affiliation

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following application:*

Carlos M. Furones
Master Plumber

From: Plum-Tech Inc.
To: Plum Tech Plumbing & Septic Inc.

Note: Pending Personal Credit Report and Business Credit Report (Old Company)

Inactive Status

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following application:*

Emilio Stella
*Master Swimming Pool
Maintenance – Unlimited*

Stella Pool Maintenance LLC. d/b/a Stella’s Pool
Service

Reciprocity – Personal Certificate Only – Broward County

---None---

Reciprocity – Business/Personal Certificate –Palm Beach County

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Gas Fitter

---None---

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Exam Applicants – Journeyman Plumber

---None---

Exam Applicants – Maintenance Plumber

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Gas Fitter

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Lawn Sprinkler

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Plumber

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Portable Chemical Toilets

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Swimming Pool Maintenance – Limited

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Swimming Pool Maintenance – Unlimited

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Swimming Pool Piping

---None---

Report

---None---

Board Discussion

---None---

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Continuing Education

Jade Learning Inc. – D049

One (1) course **approval**

2014 NEC Changes (8 hours)

Miami Springs Adult & Community Education Center – D077

One (1) course **renewal**

Electrical Code (16 hours) D077-002

The above-mentioned Continuing Education applications were reviewed and **approved** by the Board.

Probable Cause Case

---None---

Board Information

The Board acknowledged the Miami-Dade County Examination Administration Report – September 1st, 2014 to September 30th, 2014.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:46 A.M.